

CO-OPERATIVE FEDERATION OF VICTORIA

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, 6th MARCH, 1972
AT 49 A'BECKETT STREET, MELBOURNE, COMMENCING AT 7.30 P.M.

PRESENT - Mr. Mason (Chairman), Messrs. Macintosh, Hamilton, Long,
Lugg, Ploog, Rundle and Kettle.

APOLOGIES - Messrs. Lyons, Dunlop, and Schulz.

MINUTES - The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

CO-OPERATIVE DIGEST -

It was reported that the current issue of the Co-operative
Digest had been printed and circulated.

SLIDE COMMENTARY -

Mr. Macintosh reported that he had made contact with an
overseas source and was hopeful that before the next meeting he would have
received some information concerning their slide commentary.

ADVISORY COUNCIL -

Mr. Long reported that certain amendments to the Co-operation
Act were ready to go to Parliament. The question of a suitable amendment
to Model Rules to improve elections in trading societies had been discussed
and this matter was referred to Mr. Hamilton.

POLICY STATEMENT

Mr. Long and Mr. Macintosh reported that they had done some
preliminary investigation into the question of funeral co-operatives and
memorial associations. They asked that all members of the Federation be
contacted to determine whether any part of their policy deals specifically
with low income earners.

CONSUMER PROTECTION -

Mr. Kettle reported that he was still awaiting further information
on existing consumer protection bodies.

RURAL POLICY - No report was received from this body.

ANNUAL CONGRESS - It was decided that Societies be asked to prepare a
five minute talk on what action they were taking in conjunction with other
types of co-operatives or what other types of co-operatives could be doing
to assist them. It was also decided to discuss the preparation of a policy
to put to the Government.

GENERAL BUSINESS - Mr. Long reported on an international study tour which
has just commenced and his presentation of a paper to those taking part.

CO-OPERATIVE DIGEST It was decided that further efforts be made to encourage
purchase from Interstate and that a copy be sent to all housing society
secretaries and trading co-operatives within Victoria.

CLOSE

* The meeting closed at 10 p.m.

John Mason
8/3/72.